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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: ZANU BOTSWANA REP ON DAR MEETING AND ALL-PARTIES
CONFERENCE

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1. ZANU BOTSWANA REP CHADEMANA AND DEPUTY MUNYORO VISITED
EMBASSY APRIL 12 FOR DISCUSSION OF RHODESIA NEGOTIATIONS.
LOOKING TOWARD DAR MEETING BETWEEN OWEN/VANCE AND PF,
CHADEMANA SAID "GREATER PART" OF AAP IS NOW ACCEPTABLE TO
PF, ALTHOUGH CERTAIN ASPECTS WOULD HAVE TO BE CLARIFIED.
HIS DISCUSSION OF SPECIFICS REHASHED FAMILIAR PF POSITIONS
ON A CEASEFIRE, THE NECESSITY FOR UK TRANSFER OF POWER TO
"TRUE REPRESENTATIVES OF PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE" AND RECOGNITION
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OF PF ARMY AS ONLY MILITARY FORCE IN NEW ZIMBABWE.

2. IN VIEW OF SALISBURY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REFUSAL
TO AGREE TO TAKE PART IN ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE, CHADE-
MANA CONTENDED THAT QUESTION OF PF ACCEPTANCE OF ALL-
PARTIES FORMULA IS MOOT. HE PREDICATED THAT UK/US WILL
"RETREAT" FROM CONFRONTATION WITH SALISBURY REGIME

AND EXERT MORE PRESSURE ON PF FOR CONCESSIONS AT DAR.
SUMMING UP HIS VIEW OF PROSPECTS FOR DAR, CHADEMANA
SAID THAT UK AND US MUST OVERCOME "CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE"
WITHIN PF ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AAP.

3. COMMENT: CHADEMANA'S REJECTION OF ALL-PARTIES
FORMULA WAS NOT AS CATEGORICAL AS REJECTION OF THE CON-
FERENCE REPORTEDLY MADE BY MUGABE (REF A). HOWEVER,
SALISBURY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S PUBLIC REFUSAL TO
ATTEND ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE HAS GIVEN CHADEMANA, AND
POSSIBLY PF LEADERS AT DAR, CONVENIENT PRETEXT TO ARGUE
THAT PF SHOULD BE RELEASED FROM ANY COMMITMENT IT MAY
HAVE MADE TO ATTEND ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE, EVEN SHOULD
AN EVENTUAL TURNAROUND BY THE SALISBURY GROUP MAKE SUCH
A CONFERENCE POSSIBLE.
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